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Five biplanes were seen at the WITTENBERG (N 52/E 37) improvised airfield. All windows of the Brueckenkopf Kaserne were lighted in the evening. The field was occupied by about 250 Soviet Air Force soldiers, probably at school, since many young and intelligent appearing soldiers, apparently dressed in new uniforms, were seen. They were observed in groups of seven being escorted by an older soldier distinguished by a decoration, a fact indicating that they were apparently allowed to leave the field area for the first time.

2. Several auxiliary motor vehicle sheds for at least 40 motor vehicles and a gasoline dump of a hundred 53-gallon containers were in the kaserne yard.

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3. Five U-2 biplanes were parked at the field. The Brueckenkopf Kaserne was still occupied to capacity by Soviet Air Force troops. Six soldiers were constructing an overhead telephone line in the kaserne area.

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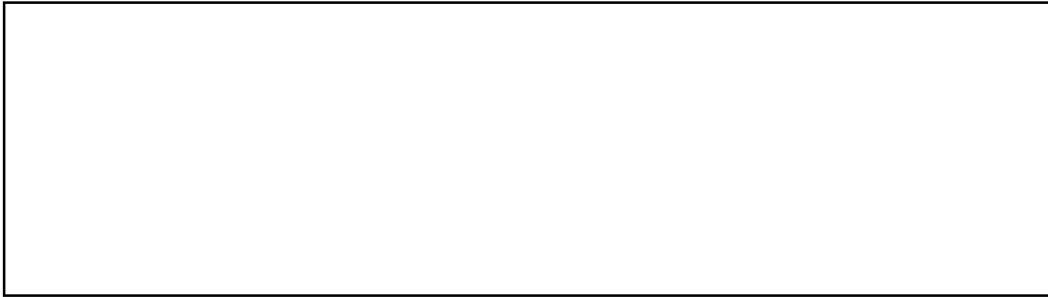
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 Comment:

According to this report, the occupation of the field by air force units has not changed. The units quartered in the Bruckenhof kaserne have apparently been reinforced by new recruits. It is assumed that a fighter corps headquarters, the headquarters of an AFD and of a motor vehicle transport unit, are still stationed at the field.

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